



WHOOPEE . . . These Torrance Elementary school youngsters know a good thing when they see it, and they're pictured here enjoying it—the last day of school. All of Torrance's schools locked up for the summer so it's beach and vacation time for 6500 boys and girls. They'll get back to the books come September.

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ECC Board Approves New Building Plans

Encouraged by the overwhelmingly favorable approval by the voters of a continuation of the El Camino Junior College building program, the district Board of Trustees hastened to approve plans for additional buildings by granting approval for immediate construction of additional shop buildings to house classes in refrigeration and mill-

work. The Board also authorized the architects, Marsh, Smith and Powell of Los Angeles, to proceed with preliminary drawings for buildings to house the departments of commerce, music and drama with an additional vocational shop building for vocational welding.

To Cost \$1,000,000 Estimated cost for all of the work contemplated is slightly in excess of \$1,000,000, with construction scheduled during the new school year commencing July 1. The Board also tentatively approved a progressive building program extending into 1957 calling for an annual expenditure of \$800,000.

In other actions the Board approved: 1. Reconversion of temporary barracks building so as to provide additional space for home-making classes for women, electronics, radio, and television training facilities, and change in room arrangements to provide additional space for art and cosmetology, and for engineering drawing and drafting.

2. Approved rental of Leuzinger High School shop facilities at a cost of \$5 per hour for the maintenance of machine shop classes if such classes develop.

3. Granted use of college stadium facilities for home games of Gardena High School on Oct. 10, Nov. 8, 14 and 20 on the usual rental basis previously set up by the Board.

4. Authorized the establishment of a class in vocational upholstery and the employment of Summer Power as instructor in the field for the next school year.

5. Employed the services of Edwin W. Hall as a part-time instructor in business for the summer session, and Avery C. Parrish as a part-time instructor in blueprint reading, also for the summer session.

6. Renewed contract of Hammond Sadler of Palos Verdes, landscape architect and land planner.

7. Heeded request of veteran students presented by Instructor Charles Lager to extend the veterans institutional on-farm training program for one more year.

8. Accepted as complete work of grading, soil preparation, seeding of lawns adjacent to new buildings for work done under contract to Keith E. Card of Long Beach.

9. Approved recommendation of the administration to award Associate in Arts degrees to 204 graduates.

10. Issued call for a special meeting of the Board of Trustees on July 1 for the purpose of organizing the Board by electing a new president and secretary, and any other officers being desirable.

11. Employed the services of George Gerber as instructor in English for the school year 1952-53, and the employment of Mrs. Ruth L. Jeanfils as a substitute instructor in cosmetology for the summer session.

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Park 'Exposure' Suspect Cleared At Jury Trial

William H. Griffin was cleared Friday of charges that he indecently exposed himself before two small girls at the Torrance Park, by a jury of 9 women and 3 men in City Judge Otto B. Willett's court.

The jurors deliberated only 35 minutes before returning a verdict of not guilty. During the proceedings the jury was taken to the City Park to view the exact location where the alleged crime had taken place.

Testimony was heard from the girls who asserted that while they were at play in the park, Griffin came out of the men's rest room and exposed himself.

No Doors, Sign The defense pointed out that the girls were playing in the vicinity of the rest room, and as there are no doors on the unmarked "men's" room the girls were able to see inside.

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Goettsch Elected Jaycee President

Thirty-two-year-old Marvin H. Goettsch, retail sales manager of Mayfair Creamery, was elected president of the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce Thursday evening to succeed Bert Lamb, Goettsch became the group's fourth president.

A charter member of the organization, Goettsch was elected on unanimous ballot following his nomination for the office by Past President Ed Karlow.

Elected to serve with him were Jim Wood, first vice-president; Dr. Arvol Smith, second vice-president; Jack Baldwin, secretary; George Post, treasurer; Warren Perry, state director; Dave Figuered, sergeant-at-arms; and Dutch Horlander and Ed Karlow to the board of directors.

Has Been Secretary The organization's new president was sergeant-at-arms of the Jaycees during the group's second year and secretary last year, the group's third.

He is presently a member of the city's Recreation Commission, and has been active in Jaycee and civic affairs since he returned from a four-year hitch in the Navy in 1945.

A graduate of Torrance High School, Goettsch played left half on the Tartar football team and was rated one of the best of his time.

Was Student Body Prexy He was student body president of THS in his senior year. Following graduation from high school in the winter of 1940, he entered the University of California at Los Angeles.

Since returning to Torrance in 1945, at which time he joined Mayfair Creamery, Goettsch has been identified with sports affairs, the YMCA programs, boys' work of several types, including the organization of a group of 150 boys to attend the Rams-Redskins charity football games.

"I think we've really got a wonderful board of directors and I think you'll see a lot of activity in the Jaycees this year," Goettsch said following his election. He promised a busy year in both civic and social projects.

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Four Injured in 101 Auto-Truck Collision

(Illustrated on Page 2)

Four persons, including three children were injured, although not seriously, in a truck-auto crash Thursday noon at Highway 101 and Oak St. in Lomita.

Most seriously injured was little three-year-old Jeffrey Platisha of 26018 Eshelman Ave., son of a National Supply Co. furnaceman. Young Jeffrey sustained a "crack" in the bone of one leg.

Suffering a wrenched back was the injured lad's mother, Mrs. Bette Lorraine Platisha, 28, who was driving the auto when it was struck by a heavy concrete truck. Driver of the truck was listed as James Ralston, 27, of 2101 Ruhland St. Redondo Beach, according to the reports filed by Officers A. M. Stratton and Jack Shoemaker of the California Highway Patrol.

Two other children, Cheryl, 5, a daughter of the driver of the auto, and Ronald, Platisha, 5, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Platisha, 26339 Zephyr Ave., received minor injuries.

All injured parties were treated at the Hillside Emergency Hospital and released.

'Phase-Out' Nears End as 18 Vets Return One of the biggest groups of "phase-out" veterans of the Korean fighting to return to this area docked in San Francisco Thursday aboard the transport Gen. William Gordon, which carried 2928 combat veterans back to the United States.

Aboard were 496 40th Division enlisted men including 18 men from the Torrance area. Returning veterans from Torrance included:

Cpl. C. J. Armagost
Cpl. G. L. Burris
Sgt. P. R. Conlon
Cpl. F. J. Cowlishaw
Sgt. G. E. Dawson
Pfc. R. E. Edwards
Cpl. E. D. Frederick
Cpl. W. C. Guadiana
Cpl. M. A. Jorio Jr.
Cpl. J. G. Luter
Cpl. H. R. Owens
Sgt. J. R. Pearcy
Cpl. A. L. Potter
Sfc. J. C. Spratt

Returnees from Harbor City include:
Cpl. L. R. Crocker
Cpl. P. Montoya
Sfc. T. J. Murphy
Sole returnee from Lomita was Pfc. P. K. Zimmerman.

Two fire companies from the County Fire Department directed by Capt. Howard Katz, Eng. 21, confined the fire to the frame structure and an adjoining metal-covered shed.

Neighbors said that the blaze was started by a small grass fire in a vacant lot which crept into a large pile of old tires stacked next to the building.

Meanwhile, Torrance firemen roared from grass fire to grass fire throughout the day and had responded six times before dark last night.

Friday the 13th Not Unlucky for Watteria Cuts

Friday the 13th may be unlucky for some folks, but not for the cats in Watteria—even the black ones.

A fish truck spilled part of its load in the intersection of Pacific Coast Hwy. and Hawthorne Blvd. Friday night, and nearly a hundred slippery blue anchovies were sprawled out on the highway.

Traffic officers Bob Wright and Bill Shaner, afraid that a motorist might slide on the scaly specimens, swept them to the gutter for the cats, and the street department.

The fish truck driver was unknown.

Tire Shop Razed In Smoky Late Afternoon Blaze

A fire accompanied by thick choking smoke razed a tire shop at 4115 Redondo Beach Blvd. late yesterday afternoon destroying a large supply of newly-retreaded and retreaded tires.

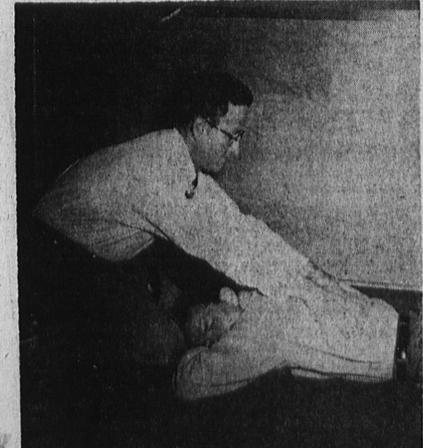
Preliminary loss was set by firefighters at from \$10,000 to \$15,000 dollars.

Billows of black smoke rolled into the air, attracting sightseers from several miles.

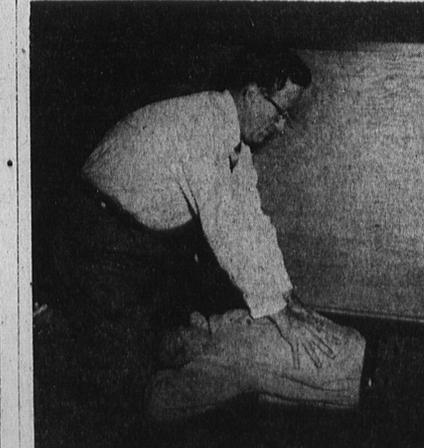
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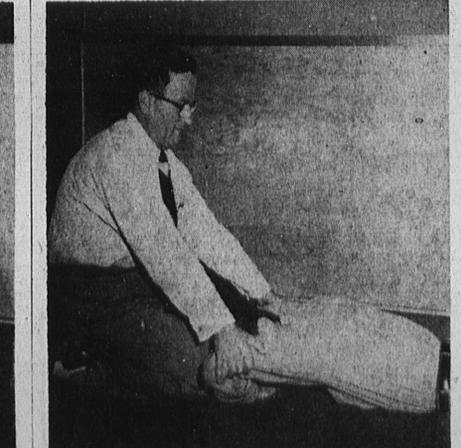
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FIRST POSITION . . . Kneel at head of subject facing him. Place hands upon the flat of the subject's back in a way that the heels lie just below a line running between the armpits.



SECOND POSITION . . . Rock forward until the arms are approximately vertical and allow the weight of the upper part of your body to exert slow, steady, pressure downward on hands.



THIRD POSITION . . . Release the pressure, avoiding final thrust, and commence to rock slowly backward. Place your hands on subject's arms above elbows and draw upward toward you.



THE OLD METHOD . . . The old method, demonstrated here by Paul Young and George Powell, required a skilled technician to do the same job which anyone can do easily with the new method.